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Fig. 1.

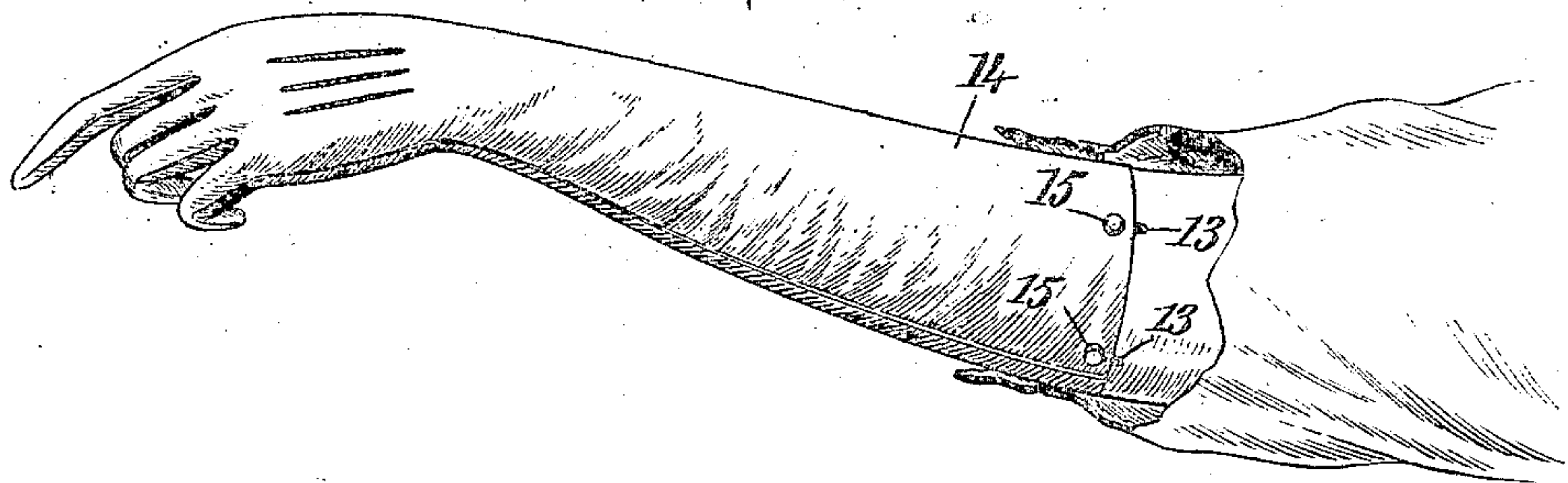


Fig. 2.

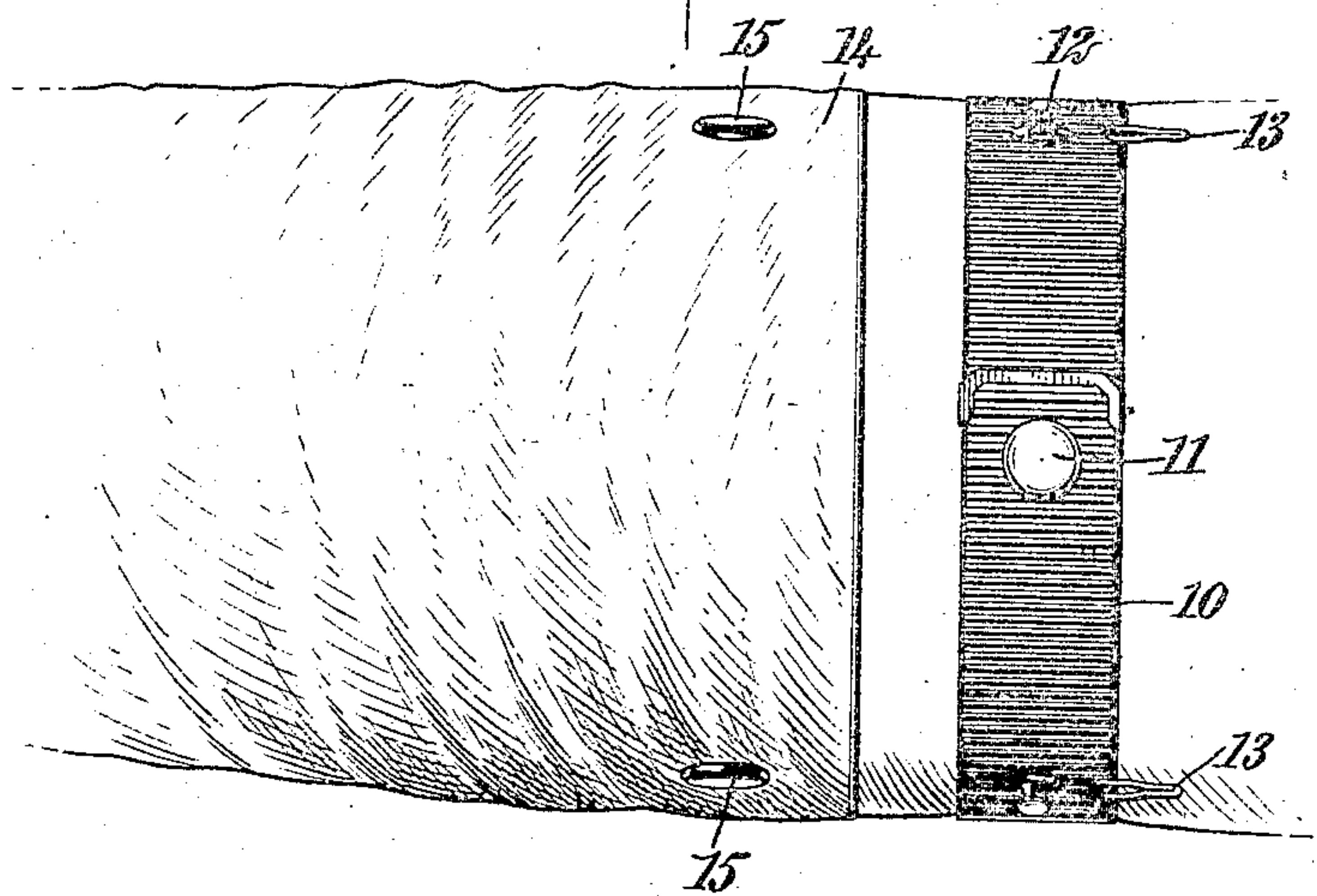


Fig. 3.

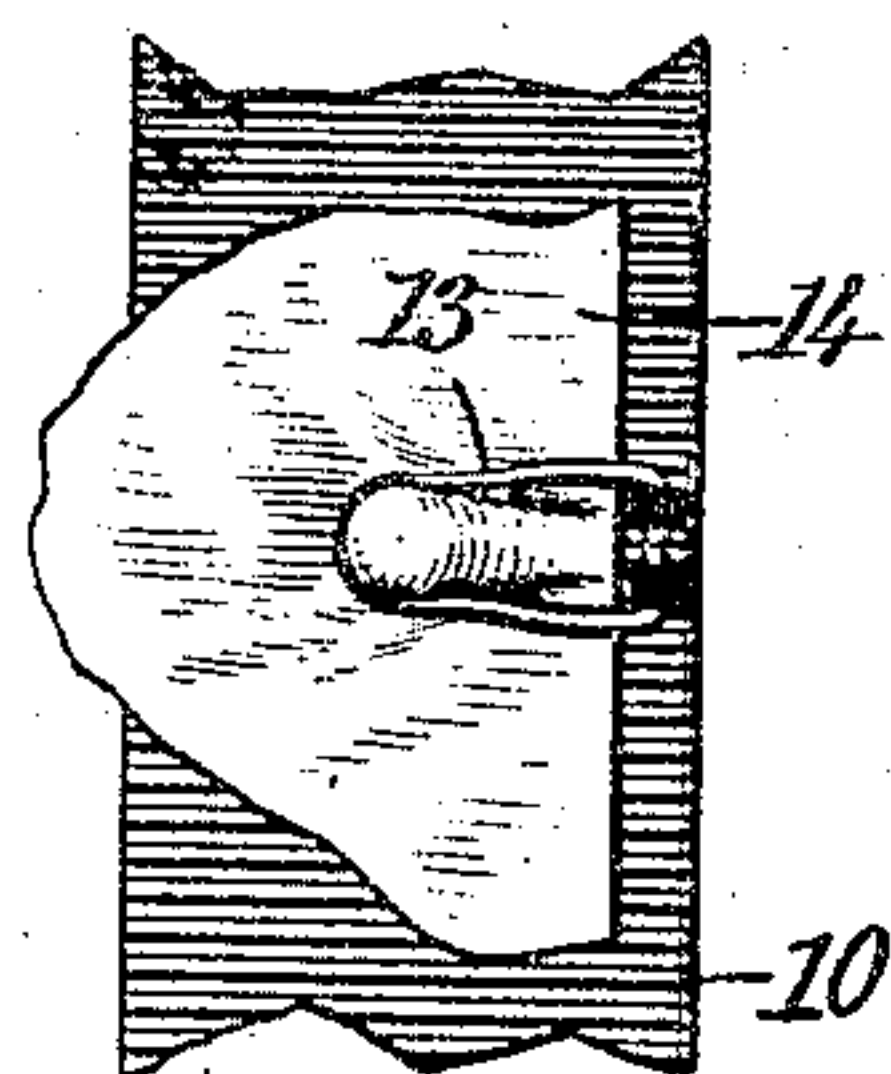
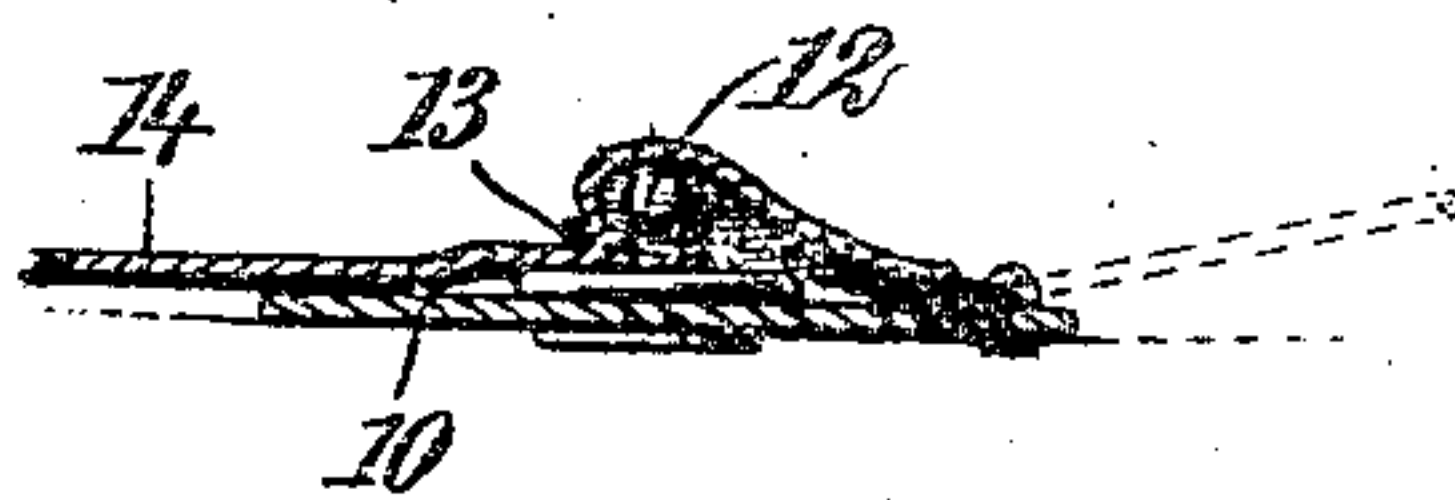


Fig. 4.



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## GARMENT-SUPPORTER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, BLANCHE NEWTON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Pardeeville, in the county of Columbia and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and Improved Garment-Supporter, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to certain improvements in garment supporters adapted for use in supporting gloves, stockings, or other similar articles of wearing apparel, and the object of the invention is to provide a device readily applied and adjusted to the desired position and adapted to support the garment at a plurality of points around the arm or leg to prevent sagging or wrinkling.

A further object of the invention is to provide a garment supporter which will be substantially concealed by the garment when in use, thus permitting of its use in connection with long gloves.

The invention consists in certain features of construction and combination of parts, all of which will be fully set forth hereinafter and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures, and in which

Figure 1 is a perspective view illustrating a glove supported by my improved garment supporter; Fig. 2 is a view of the glove spaced from the garment supporter and about to be attached thereto; Fig. 3 illustrates another use of my improved device; and Fig. 4 is a section through the parts illustrated in Fig. 3.

My improved garment supporter comprises a band 10 either elastic or non-elastic and formed of any suitable material, as, for instance, webbing. The band may be made in a continuous piece, or may be provided with any suitable device, as, for instance, a clasp 11 for detachably connecting together the ends thereof. At a plurality of points along the band I provide buttons 12, preferably of the form commonly employed in spring clasps, and these buttons are preferably secured intermediate the side edges of the band. The buttons may be secured to the band in any suitable manner common in the art. Adjacent each button I pivotally connect a loop 13 preferably formed of spring wire and having an opening therethrough for

the passage of the button. This opening is preferably narrower at the free end of the loop than at the end near the pivotal connection, and said loop is adapted to surround the button and hold the material therebetween, as is indicated in Figs. 3 and 4. The loop is preferably connected to the band adjacent the edge thereof, so as to lie in a plane substantially parallel to the adjacent portion of the band when it is in its operative position. In order to bring the loop into operative position the edge of the garment 14 is placed over the button, and the fabric of the band intermediate the button and the pivotal connection of the loop is bent to permit the larger portion of the loop to pass over the button and garment covering the same. The band is then straightened at this point and the loop drawn to such a position that the smaller portion thereof incloses the reduced neck portion of the button and securely holds the edge of the garment in place.

If desired, I may provide the garment with a plurality of sockets 15 adjacent the edge thereof and adapted to receive the buttons 12 and be held in engagement therewith by the frictional engagement or spring pressure. The button and the loop 13 or the button and the socket member 15 constitute the coacting members of the fastening device, and as many of these fastening devices may be provided along the length of the band as may be desired. The buttons being provided intermediate the side edges of the band necessitates the placing of the edge of the garment on top of the band in order to secure the garment in place, and in this manner a large portion of the band, if not the entire band, is concealed by the garment. The bands are preferably provided with both the buttons 12 and the loops 13, whereby the device may be used either for supporting garments having sockets 15 carried thereby or for supporting garments which do not have said sockets.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. A garment supporter, comprising a band, a fastening device including two coacting members, and independent means for securing each of said members to said band adjacent each other and intermediate the ends thereof.

2. A garment supporter, comprising a band and a fastening device, including two



coacting members, one of said members being secured to the band intermediate the side edges thereof and the other of said members being secured to the band adjacent the edge thereof.

3. A garment supporter, comprising a band adapted to encircle the limb and provided with an outwardly-projecting button, and a loop having flexible connections with said band and adapted to engage with said button.

4. A garment supporter, comprising a band, and means for securing a garment thereto, said means comprising two coacting members secured to said band intermediate the ends thereof and independently of each other and adapted to hold the garment therebetween.

5. A garment supporter, comprising a band adapted to encircle the limb, a plurality of buttons carried thereby, and means for securing a garment to said buttons, said means including a plurality of loops adjacent said buttons.

6. A garment supporter, comprising a supporting member, and a fastening device carried thereby, said fastening device comprising two coacting members independently supported adjacent each other along the length of the band and movable in relation to each other to inclose the edge of a garment therebetween.

7. In a garment supporter, the combination of a band and two coacting members, one of said members comprising a button

rigidly secured to the band, and the other of said members adapted to inclose said button and secure a garment thereto and movably connected to said band.

8. In a garment supporter, the combination of a band and two coacting members constituting a fastening device, one of said members comprising a button secured to the band intermediate its side edges, and the other of said members comprising a loop supported adjacent said button and longitudinally movable in respect thereto.

9. A garment supporter, comprising an elastic band, and a plurality of fastening devices carried thereby, each of said fastening devices comprising a button, and a member adapted to inclose said button and secure a garment thereto, said button and member being secured to said band independently of each other.

10. A garment supporter, comprising an elastic band having a plurality of buttons secured thereto intermediate its side edges, and means for securing a garment to said buttons, said means comprising a plurality of loops pivotally secured to said band adjacent one edge thereof.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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